

Toni the Superhero

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Meet Toni the Superhero! Toni is a little boy with extraordinary powers, but he likes to do ordinary things too! Find out what Toni likes to do when he's not busy saving the world. This is the first book in a series of Toni the Superhero books geared towards teaching children to read. The book is targeted towards children ages 0 to 4.

Toni the Superhero Details


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From Reader Review Toni the Superhero for online ebook

Ti says

Great book for early readers due to the simplistic repetitive sentence starters.

Appealing to far younger children due to the vibrant full page illustrations.

Tara Brown says

Toni the Superhero by R.D. Base is an excellent book for beginning readers, as well as those who are starting to recognize written words. The story focuses around Toni, a well-balanced child, who knows how to have fun and be responsible. There are a variety of people he interacts with throughout the pages - his mom, friends, and even a kitty that needs rescuing. Toni's positive modeling of behavior, such as his kindness to animals, socializing with adults and friends, and being helpful, are all important behaviors to teach kids at a young age. When kids see others acting certain ways, it helps them know what to do when in similar situations, especially if "that someone" is also the same age as them. This makes Toni a top-notch role model! Woohoo!

In addition to the wonderfully engaging illustrations, Toni the Superhero can also be used as a means to start discussions about specific behaviors with children. The book, written in present tense, appeals to a diverse audience, making this a perfect addition to any home or classroom library! I see that Book 2 is now released, and I'm thrilled this is a series. I can't wait to find out more about Toni's world!

Without hesitation, Toni the Superhero by R.D. Base gets a well-deserved 5/5 stars! I love everything about it, and I have no doubt that you and your child will feel the same!

Thank you so much for reading my review. I hope it was helpful. :-)

Kes Townsend says

Even for a children's book, it seemed too simple.

Nalinie says

It is a great book for persons learning to read. The illustrations are great and have excellent details. the sentences are short and simply, and the repetitive nature of it allows new readers to become accustomed to the pronunciation of the words.

Samantha Holtsclaw says

This book is perfect for beginning readers with its short, repetitive sentences.

Carly says

Great book for beginning readers.

Rayjan Koehler says

Just got this in the mail today after winning it from a goodreads drawing. Perfect book for kids.

Karen says

This is a delightful children's picture book that I read and reviewed for Onlinebookclub.org. I could find not fault with it at all. In fact, I hope this author finds a good sized following for her Toni series. Check out my full review at <https://forums.onlinebookclub.org/vie...>

Ronyell says

I received this book through OnlineBookClub.org in exchange for an honest review.

Since superhero movies are becoming the norm nowadays, of course there has got to be a children's book that deals with superheroes (or in this case, a child who becomes a superhero). I just recently picked up this children's book called "Toni the Superhero" by R.D. Base along with artwork by Debbie Hefke and it was quite a cute read!

Meet Toni! He is a superhero and even though he occasionally saves the world, he enjoys doing normal activities such as reading, drawing, playing with his friends and cleaning house. Join Toni as you get to see what other activities he does besides saving the world!

R.D. Base's writing is adorable to read through as we get to see Toni do many activities, whether it is reading books, playing with his friends or helping his mother clean around the house. I like the fact that this book focused on Toni's more normal activities rather than any kind of super heroics because it makes the book relatable to children who also enjoy doing many activities like playing with their friends or cleaning around the house. Debbie Hefke's artwork is also adorable to look at as all the characters have large and colorful eyes and are always looking so happy in each scene. I also loved the look of Toni's superhero suit as it is modeled after Superman's iconic suit and it is shown as being in a light green color with a blue and yellow "T" stigma on his chest.

The reason why I gave this book a four-star rating was because I felt that the book was a bit too short. Now, I know that this book is geared towards small children, but I would have liked to see Toni do more activities in this book to stretch out the story a bit more.

Overall, "Toni the Superhero" is a truly adorable children's book about being a superhero in a unique way and this book would definitely be a great read for children who want to be a superhero by helping out their friends and family! I would recommend this book to children ages 3 and up since there is nothing inappropriate in this book.

Review is also on: [Rabbit Ears Book Blog](#) and [OnlineBookClub.org](#)

Samantha says

Toni the Superhero, is a children/toddler book series by RD Base. The book is about a little African American boy name Toni. The book takes us though Toni's day of activities he enjoys doing. The author claims that the book will help teach kids to read because she used to come up with little sentences for her sons to read. It is recommended for age range (0-4). She also explains that it is the first book in the series and therefore it isn't focused on him being a superhero and doing superhero activities.

Since the book was for kids I decide to read the book to my two-year daughter and she enjoyed the book and it keep her attention. She would point to the pictures of Toni and would repeat the words back to me. Seeing the action of Toni doing thing like (jump, play) did help understand that those actions are what the words goes to (so she pretty mush understand that the word jump means to jump). It was a fun book and it was short which is good for kids her age. I personally enjoyed how the book was colorful and the pages were very detailed. The book is the perfect length for little kids, and there was like one sentences per page so the perfect amount for small children.

I have decided to give, Toni the Superhero, 3 out of 4 stars. The reason for this is while the book was very simple, my kid loved it, and it helped her understand the meaning of some action words. I do not believe in reading a sentence over and over will teach them to read it. I personally have known kids who will memorize books if they are hear the same story over and over and will recant the book, but if you actually point to that word somewhere else they normally can't tell it to you, but that is my personal opinion in what I have witnessed. I also don't believe in the age rang if that was the purpose of the book. Most kids don't start learning to read until ages (4-5) at the youngest but on averages its (5-6).

Overall my child still enjoyed the book and had fun with it. I would gladly recommend it to other parents for children of younger ages who have a small attention span and don't care to sit for long periods to be read to.

Sicily says

An eye-catching graphic novel about a Black boy who is imaginative, caring and a superhero in his own right. This is a short book intended for children learning to read. I highly recommended it for parents of

young children. For a full review: check out my post at onlinebookclub.org:
Toni the Superhero

Marissa Kasang says

I got this book on onlinebookclub.org to read and to review it. I am glad for the chance of reading this book and knowing that this book is certainly good for the small children from the ages of 3 to 5 years old given how fully illustrated with simple English words this book is.

Parents, if you are buying this book for small kids, then you are making the right decision, not only that your kids may be able to learn how to read, but also that your kids may learn from the good habits of Toni.

Sage Staples says

I won this book through Goodreads Giveaways. I appreciate the depiction of a Black child as a superhero. Often, Black superheroes are killed off in television or are used solely for a white superhero's plot. Representation of POC in children's literature is so incredibly important, but I find this book to fall short of expectations. Although it's wonderful that Toni engages in many activities that defy American binary gender roles, Toni doesn't have much of a plot as a superhero. The book merely lists all of the activities Toni enjoys doing. The illustrations are lovely, but I would encourage the writer to consider a more complex story for Toni. Overall, the series is promising, but hopefully Toni gets more character and plot development!

Lola says

Toni the Superhero; written by R. D. Base and illustrated by Debbie Hefke, is a fun and well illustrated picture book for young readers. With three young boys of her own, and an avid reader herself, R. D. Base is very qualified to write children's fiction.

What children can learn from the book

R. D. Base introduces young readers to Toni, a boy and superhero. However, what makes Toni amazing is not just his superhero powers. The author helps the readers meet the superhero as a boy, telling us his hobbies and the things he enjoys doing for fun. This is a great book to help young readers learn a lot of verbs, especially given that they likely enjoy doing some of the things that Toni the Superhero enjoys as well.

The Illustration

As can be expected of well-illustrated books, the thirty-page book is very colourful. I'm not usually a big fan of picture books but the colours in this book were very catchy; inspiring happiness and excitement at the warm summer colours used to illustrate the text. However, it is not just colour that sets the illustrations in this book apart. The illustrations all depict what the author writes about perfectly by not only giving illustration to the words but even further meaning can be gotten from them. That is, young readers read the words and 'read' the illustrations as well.

Why young readers should read it

I would highly recommend this book for young readers, not only for the text and the beautiful pictures. I recommend it for the subtle lessons the book teaches with words and colour. For instance, one of Toni's hobbies is that he likes to eat. The accompanying picture shows Toni with a plate of vegetables and fruits. With the relentless struggle parents face, getting their children to eat their veggies, this would be a more subtle and fun way of encouraging that.

Speaking more on subtlety, Toni the Superhero's hobbies not only include fun things that all young children love to do, but also the things that help build character in a child, like helping around the house. Toni the Superhero is a fun and great way to encourage young children to begin reading. This book is perfect for young children who are having a hard time with reading because it is fun and educational without being too serious.

Vanessa says

Toni The Superhero is a children's book written by R. D. Base, and it is the first in a series. According to the information given, the author is a woman who started writing books with the purpose of helping her children how to read. The book is made with the intention of giving a child enough confidence to start reading more complex things and to develop a love of reading. It worked with the author's children so hopefully, it will happen with other children as well. ?

This is a short but entertaining book. I felt entertained and wanted it to last a little longer. Still, its length is well suited for small children. In the book, we get an introduction to the series which features Toni's adventures as a world-saving superhero. But in the text, we get to know Toni as a common boy. He is a child who likes to do ethically, socially and morally correct things even if the activities are mundane. The message is great as it tries to influence young readers to be the best versions of themselves. It is also, very easy to read, easy to understand and gives the message correctly in the best of ways.

The book makes good use of all its resources which is great. Even the family-oriented dedication helps jumpstart the happy and inspirational mood of the text. This also attracts the parents who are buying because they will feel identified by the dedication. I really loved how the text makes use of persuasive languages like anaphora and chiasmus to make reading more fluid for the child.

??It also helps promote racial acceptance as not all books feature a non-white person as a book protagonist. This is a book meant to be read with parents, so it also promotes bonding. Also, the way it is written will most likely to make children interested in literature. Nevertheless, it has some room for improvement as it is only meant for very small children and I think the audience could be broadened a little. There could be more parent figures present in the drawings, too. ?

I rate this book 5 out of 5 stars. My reasoning for this is because I consider it a perfect first read for small children as it is attractive, entertaining and persuasive. It is a book I would recommend to young parents to help develop reading skills in children.
